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Control No. 13-0069-FOIA

Dear Mr. Morisy:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge the receipt of your request dated March 12, 2013 for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 5 U.S.C. § 552.

You requested the following information:

Copies of contracts with Booz Allen Hamilton over the past 5 years and any final reports generated and delivered by Booz Allen Hamilton to the agency over the past 5 years.

The Maritime Administration FOIA Office received your request on March 28, 2013. The date that a response is due to you, based on the twenty-day turn-around time from the date received by the Maritime Administration, Freedom of Information Act Office is **April 25, 2013**. However, processing time for some requests may take longer than twenty business days. Frequently, this is due to pre-disclosure notification procedures to submitters of records required by Executive Order 12,600, dated June 23, 1987, (52 Federal Register 23781, June 25, 1987). Under these procedures, the agency is required to notify submitters of records containing confidential commercial

information of your Freedom of Information Act request and such submitters are allowed a reasonable period of time in which to object to the disclosure of any specified portion of the information. The Maritime Administration must give careful consideration to all such specified grounds for non-disclosure prior to making an administrative determination of the issue. In all instances when the agency determines to disclose the requested records, our procedures provide that we give the submitter a written statement briefly explaining why the submitter's objections will not be sustained. Such statement shall, to the extent permitted by law, be provided within a reasonable number of days prior to a specified disclosure date. The terms of Executive Order 12,600 have been incorporated into the Department of Transportation's regulations at 49 CFR Part 7. Additional time may also be required where the broad scope of a request constitutes unusual circumstances as defined in 49 CFR Part 7.33.

Lastly, to assist this office in better serving you, please refer to FOIA Control Number **13-0069-FOIA** when inquiring about your request. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the FOIA Service Center on (202) 366-2666.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Larimore', followed by a horizontal line.

Andrew Larimore
Freedom of Information Act Service Center